# WALL ST. MARKET

Fed MSp.

Gen M pf.

GM pf new.

Goodrich .

Goodrch p

Granby .

Int Nkl ...

Int Paper.

Int Pap p.

Miami Cop

Mo Pacific

Mo Pac cts

Mo Pac wi

Nat C&S.

Nat Lead.

Nat E&S.

Nev Cons.

Nor &W ..

Nor Pac ..

Pac Mall.

Penn RR.

Pitts Cctp

Press 80 ..

Pub Ser ...

Rep Steel

Rep St pf.

Reading ..

Srs-Roeb .

StL SoW ...

Tob Prod

Twin CRR

Third AR.

UB &P nw

USCIP :...

Un Drglpf

Un Pac pf.

Un Fruit, .

US IndAl.

US Rub. .

USSm&R.

USSteel ..

USSteel p

UtahCop.

Utah Sec.

Va-Caro.

Wabash ...

Wab p A.

Wab p B.

Westhse ..

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WLE wi ...

WLE pr wi ..

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WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET.

BUTTER-Elgin print, 464c; Elgin, 194c; process, 3564c; store packed, 3560c. EGGS-Nearby, 4364c; Southern, 4064c. CHEESE-New York State, factory, new,

EGGS-Nearby, 4344c; Southern, 2003c.
CHEESE-New York State, factory new,
2021c.
POULTRY-Live homs, per lb., 17g18c; rossters, per lb., 12g18c; turkeys, per lb., 25g35c;
spring chickens, per lb., 18g35c; ducks, per
lb., 12g18c; gesse, per lb., 18g35c; turkeys,
per lb., 25g35c; ducks, per lb., 18g35c; rossters, per lb., 18g35c; ducks, per lb., 12g25c; rossters, per lb., 18c gesse, 18c per lb.
GRESN FRUITS-Apples, new, per bbl.
12.50g5.5c; per box, 11.00g2.5c; California
oranges, 14.00g5.0c; Florida oranges, 12.56
g1.00 hox; lemons, per box, 13.25g4.0c; pers,
per box, 75cg2.15; grape fruit, 13.00g2.5d.
VEGETABLES-Potatoes, McCornick, per
bbl., 18.00g4.75; Western, per 25, bu, sack,
14.50g4.75; sweet potatoes, 12.50g3.5c; string
beans, per basket, 11.75g2.3c; perpers, per
crate, 12.00g3.0c; carrots, per box, 16c., 11.00;
okra, per crate, 12.00g3.0c; radiahes, per 10c,
15.50g4.0c; occumbers, basket, 13.00g2.5c;
onions, per 10c-lb, sack, 34.25g4.5c; eag plant,
17.50g4.0c; per crate; new cabbage, 14.00g4.5c;
per fox, 25cg31.0c; romaine, lettuce, 11.00g1.5c
per hasket; lettuce, 11.50g2.5c; per basket; cranberries, per bbl., 15.50g2.0c; per basket; cranberries, per crate; Florida tomatoes, 13.00g4.5c per
orate,
DRESSED MEATS-Pork, small to medium,

orate.
DRESSED MEATS-Pork, small to medium, ib. 13915c; heavy, ib., 15c.
GAME-Rabbits, No. 1, per doz., \$1.5092.90; No. 2, per dos., \$1.0091.75.

GERMANS CONTINUE DRIVE

Force Back Russians After Bitter

Fighting.

in snow and rain and slush is attending the German effort to advance in

sian defenders there chormously, they

entire front. Stopped in their drive northward

into Moldavia, it is apparent the Teu-tons have re-enforced their Dobrudjo

132% have succeeded in forcing retirement 241% of the Czar's forces, but only after some hard-fought battles along the

greatest pressure to this front.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- Bitter fighting

Outnumbering the Rus-

42

120

1614

184

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95

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12

102

108%

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Sales up to 11-283,000.

Total sales stocks-502,300.

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GREAT IRREGULARITY IN PRICE OF STOCKS TODAY

Tendency Is Toward Lower Levels in Best Part of Short GN Ore ct Session-Steel Opens at Greene C., Slight Advance Over Yester- Hyst NJ. day's Closing Price—Central III Cent .. Leather Proves to Be Most Int AgO p. Active Feature.

Inter C ... Inter Cp.. NEW YORK, Dec. 23,-Realizing Jewel Tea. sales incident to the great improvement recorded in yesterday's market Kan C So. and new buying inspired by that im- Kelly SpT. provement were effective today in causing great irregularity in price Lack St .. movements throughout the list of active stocks, with the tendency, how- Lig &M p. ever, in the direction of lower levels Marine ct in the best part of the short session. Mar ct pf . Buying on the decline came from Mackay p strong houses, and, in spite of the Max Mot.

losses sustained in the early opera- Max M 1 p tions by the leading issues, sentiment Max M 2 p the leading issues, sentimes, the leading issues, the leading issu over market prospects for the coming Investment buying again was re-

there was further speculative accum-ulation by substantial interests, not-ably in United States Steel, the cop-per shares, and some of the rails. Steel opened at a slight advance as compared with the closing of the pre- Nat Bis ... ceding day, but before the end of the first hour it had reacted to 105% as compared with Friday's closing at 107%, with, however, a subsequent Nat ESp.

The volume of business in this issue was heavy for both accounts, with NYCent .. the offering unusually well absorbed NYAir Br. on the reaction, but being particu-larly heavy for western action. Wire Nor &W. he leading speculative favorites, while they reported also cash buying Nor Am... for permanent holding in preferred Ohio CGas industrial shares and in various rails. Owens BM as for instance, Union Pacific. Ont Silver.

Central Leather provided que of the most active features of the trading. the pressure of realizing in it was great enough to carry its price Peo Gas ... Phila Co.. three points under yesterday's closing. It is understood that current earnings Pitts Cct. the Central Leather company are at the annual rate of more than \$28

Among the few stocks that showed early strength was Corn Products, Ray Cons. which moved up on the surprisingly RyStSpg. strong position of the company as re fected in the increase in the preferred dividend and the paying off of a large proportion of the back dividends, which naturally brings the comme stock near the point where payments be talked about. thought likely, however, that a divi- Shattuck . dend will be a development of the immediate future.

SL SW pf. At the close of the first hour the general market was from 1 to 3 points | SL SF w 1. under the final range of Friday's oper-Sothn Pac. Some of the selling reflected Sothn Ry. the liquidation of accounts that had Soth Ry pf seen carried over the recent break. Studebkr . while there was active distribution TenC&Pwi. also of stocks taken on that break for Teras Co. . purposes of protecting the marke

The decline was not unexpected in Tex Co rts view of the sharp upward movement following Thursday's slump, and it was wholly in line with the theory of secondary downward movement incident to a great wave of liquidation.

Today's Quotations. Today's quotations were: 1914 \*1914 1914 1914 Advance p 3614 3614 7354 72% 7334 72% Ajax Rubr 12 111/6 12 Alaska G., Al ChMfg. 261/2 2614 Al Ch M p. 85 Am B Sug... 108% 108% 108% A BkSh p. ] 108% 89% Am Ag Ch. 1814 4734 4734 4654 Am Can... 6534 Am Carfy 64 64% 1814 Am H&L. 1316 1234 1234 6014 Am HL p.. 62 62 60 A IceSec. 3014 3014 1834 1834 A Linseed. 1814 1814 7414 7534 7614 7616 Am Loco.. 10414 A Loco p... 1061 Am Smelt. 10534 115 A Smelt p. 115 115 115 140 140 Am Snuff.. A SteelFy. 62 61 61 1 109% Am Sugar. 109% 10834 10934 12514 125 125 A Tel&Tel 12534 Am WP p. 4516 46 4514 37% Am Zinc. . 3734 Am Zinc p 70 8314 Anaconda At Bir &A. 16% 16% 16% 10434 A T&SFt. 10436 117 108 116 At GWI .. 10034 6514 6514 A GWI pf. 8414 Balt & O .. 84% 83 5734 Bald Loco. 7514 Balt &O p. 7516 7514 7514 10034 100% 10014 Bald Loc p 10014 Barrett ... 130 13234 Beth Stl . . 501 501 Bkn R T . 8214 Brunswk . Burns Bros 1556 15% Butterick . 49% Butte Sup. Cal Petm.. 25 25 25 5216 5214 5216 5216 Cal Pet pf. Can Pac .. 16535 165% 16614 83% 8614 8614 Cen Lthr ... 10134 Chandler . 101 6534 65% Ches Oh .. 23 Chi & Alton Chi GtW .. 1434 1414 1414 Chi GtW p 4156 4134 12519 12534 Chi &NW. 125% 12514 9114 92 CM&St P.

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## ALEXANDRIA SCHOOL 11 OPPORTUNITIES 3716 STUDIES SUSPENDED

Her Home Near Accotink. Funeral Monday.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 23.-Studies were suspended yesterday in the schools here for Christmas. Alexan dria high school pupils gave a mu sical and literary program yesterday morning.

A Christmas celebration was held at St. Mary's Academy by the Sisters of the Holy Cross Thursday afternoon The Episcopal Theological Seminary closed Thursday. All the schools will re-open on January 2 or 3. Prof. Bianton gave a dance in the high school auditorium last evening.

Mrs. Mary S. Pearson, wife of Henry A. Pearson, died at their home near Accotink, this morning, aged fifty-nine. The funeral will be held Monday at the Pohick church.

Double Funeral.

The double funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Grimes, who were killed Thursday afternoon at Lorton, Va., when their automobile was struck by a train on the Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac railroad, will be held tomorrow at Wheatley's Chapel 1134 at 2 o'clock. The Rev. E. G. Regester, pastor of the Methodist Church at Del Ray, will officiate. Burial will be in the Presbyterian Cemetery.

34½
124½
60 Officers were elected last night by
Virginia Consistory, No. 2, A. A. S. R.,
as follows: H. Noel Garner, master of
Kadash: J. W. May, prior: Arthur A.
Paul, preceptor: W. L. Allen, chancel27½
lor: S. W. Pitts, minister of state: A.
23¼
M. Sherwood, prelate: F. W. Latham,
register and almoner: J. M. Duncan,
K. C. C. H. treasurer: B. J. Rich-K. C. C. H., treasurer; B. J. Richards, master ceremonies; Vance H. Reele, expert; C. C. Batchellor, assistant expert; C. A. Gwinn, captain of the guard; George W. Zachary, siwart; H. G. Harriman, organist; W. J. Waller, soloist; B. H. Smith, electrician. The

installation was by retiring master of Kadash, W. S. Connelly, K. C. C. H. Kadash, W. S. Connelly, K. C. C. H.
Officers elected by Andrew Jackson
Masonic Lodge are: W.S.Micklin,
Master; R. S. Luckett, senior warden;
W. L. Ales, treasurer; J. E. Alexander, secretary; E. F. Hoffman, senior deacon; F. M. Penn, junior deacon;
C. C. Bachellor, senior steward; G. C.
Cole, junior steward; the Rev. Edgar
Carpenter, chapling G. W. Zachary,
tiller.

## OPENS MAILS TO FILMS

Postoffice Department Rules They

Can Go By Parcel Post. Movies for every village where the United States mails go-which means in any section of the United States or possessions where two or more people are gathered together-were made possible today when Second Assistant Postmaster General Praeger opened the mails to motion picture

Lack of express facilities in towns big enough to support a movie pal--although not big enough to have a railroad station—caused the order. By the order, any point visited, even 211% by rural carriers, may get it, thrillers by parcel post.

Movie corporations, unable to spread their business any more because they had reached every town that touched an express office, appealed for the

5314 from experse offices to postoffices of the city's unfortunate: was expressed by Pracker. 14734 14734 14634 14734

## WHITE XMAS PREDICTED

Heavy Storms Promised for Greater

Part of Country. Old Santa-true to form-will b

ushered in on Christmas Eve on the 10014 very bosom of the elements. Rip-roaring snow storms and high winds are the promising outlook for the greater part of the United States, according to the Government according to the Government 57½ weather man today. 30½ "Bad weather generally through-55% out the country," was the "encourag-

ing" announcement. The Southland, however, will spend a rainy Christmas, as will the Pacific

## WILL LECTURE SATURDAY

W. H. Whittaker to Address Federation of Citizens Next Week. The Federation of Citizens' Associa-

previously stated. W. H. Whittaker, superintendent of the workhouse at Occoquan, is scheduled for an illustrated lecture on the work of the institution, preceding the usiness session.

#### **BLOW AT CORRUPTION**

Legislation Against Practices To Be Acute Issue in Senate.

Corrupt practices legislation promises to become an acute issue before the Senate after the holidays. Senators Walsh, Reed, and Kenyon, who were named on a subcommittee of the Privileges and Elections Committee to consider the subject and revise the Owen bill, are having fre-

quera meetings. They expect to have a measure shaped up after the recess. at corrupt practices if passed.

#### XMAS DINNER COSTS MORE Prices for New Yorkers' Feast Are

Boosted 30 Per Cent. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—New Yorkers will pay 20 to 30 per cent more for their Christmas dinner this year than they paid last year, market figures

show today.

All fowi are up 20 to 30 per cent over last year. Potatoes are up 63 to 133 per cent; onions 300 per cent; cabbage 400 per cent; bread 20; cheese 150; milk 10 and pork 21.

#### RECEPTION FOR MINISTER.

have re-enforced their Dobrudjo A reception will be given the Rev. heavily and transferred their Dr. John R. Edwards and Mrs. Edgreatest pressure to this front. The wards by the Washington Epworth object is undoubtedly to exert a flank League in Metropolitan Memorial M. 1714 object is undoubledly to early a later period in the pressure at a later period in the pressure at a later period in the E. Church on January 3. Dr. Edwards E. C. K. 1.00 state proposed advance, on the Roumanian is the newly apprinted superintendent J. C. J. 10.00 state proposed advance, on the Roumanian of the District. Bishop and Mrs. Mc. M. B. S. B. 5.00 earnings.

2014 borhood. 2005 Previously acknawledged.....\$104.75

# STILL OPEN TO YOU

Mrs. Mary S. Pearson Dies at And Eleven Families Will Have Sorrowful Christmas Unless You Subscribe.

\$3.000 MORE IS NEEDED

Empty Stockings and Hunger Instead of Happiness-If It Isn't Raised.

A Santa Claus who didn't come, leaving empty stockings for heartbroken children and the gnawing sensation of hunger and gloom for the adults who would probably sacrifice their lean all to see their offspring enjoy just a little of Yuletide's cheer and myth-such is the outlook for at least eleven families in the Capital, unless the chord of charity is touched in the more fortunate of its people. Back in the scantily furnished, cheerless homes of these eleven units of the city's population the holly, pine, and cedar characteristic of this period when the rest of Christianity is celebrating the natal day of the Prince of Peace, melancholia, hunger, and disappointment reign for juvenile

Just a trifling tithe, an even feeble attempt to adhere to the Nazarene's words, "give and it shall be given into you," will do much to alleviate the sufferings of these unfortunates of poverty and probably send a glimmer of cheer to their fireless hearths One more of the fourteen Christmas opportunities has been closed. This is No. 2. The others closed are Oppor tunities, No. 4 and No. 7.

Glimmer of Cheer.

The total receipts reported this morning are \$2,763.29. This is not quite half of the total amount asked for. The amount still required is approximately \$3,000. If this amount can be secured by Christmas morning the eleven re-maining homes will be mended so far s charity can repair homes broken by misfortune, poverty, illness, death of the bread winner, blindness and other trials.

Enough Wealth Here.

Surely Washington with its wealth and prosperity can write "completed" D. E. B. (10 years)..... on these other eleven opportunities.

Assuredly there is a sufficient quota of that population which will not allow the birthday of the Saviour to pass without heeding this motto to pass without heeding the pass without heed elders who will pass the hours of Christmastide in sorrow and privation if these opertunities are not met.

The Associated Charities offices will be open on Christmas morning to re-ceive donations by mail or in person. ceive donations by mail or in person. It is hoped that the mail will bring a double store to cover Sunday as well as Christmas. Will not the readers of The Times make their last Christmas present a check to be mailed to the Associated Charities, 923 H atreet northwest, to be received on Christmas morning. The Times will announce Monday the re-

ceipts to date. List of Opportulaities Here are the fourteen opportunities Mrs. P. W.....

Needs \$12 Weekly.

1.-A widow needs \$12 a week to keep a home for two boys and two girls. When, she was bereaved the M. T. B. boys were sent to an orphan asylum. Separation was proving disastrous C. S. T..... With help they can be kept home.

Previously acknowledged.....\$150.00 C. G...... 1.00 Priends 3.00 Mrs. B. B. Mr. and Mrs. C. P. L. 1.00 Mrs. C. L. C. 1.00 Mrs. C. 1.00 Mrs. C. L. C. 1.00 Mrs. C 

Asked for, \$624. Needed, \$430.19. 2 .- Mother and four children need \$5 a week to keep a home. The hus-band and father deserted when the tions will meet in the board room of band and father deserted the District building next Saturday youngest was an infant. night, January 6, and not tonight, as Previously acknowledged. Previously acknowledged . . . . . \$122.50

> Mrs. C. B. S..... Mrs. C. L. 5.00 E. J. D 2.00 A. S. 5.00 H. B. 1.00 Mrs. I. C. G 2.00 H. 50 H. S. A. 20,00
> J. W. V. 2,00
> A. C. 2,00
> M. J. T. 1,00
> J. M. H. 2,00
> E. E. N. 1,00

3—A deserted mother placed her C. G. A. boys in an orphan asylum. Friends T. M. Pose. heard the youngest's plea for home and arranged to keep them with their mother. Thirty dollars a month, or

R....Pose. Asked for, \$360. Still needed, \$153.25. Opportunity No. 4-Closed, \$368. 5-A wife with a busband long ill in the hospital is doing laundry work and sewing to keep the family to-gether. Five dollars a week is needed in addition to their earnings. Previously acknowledged ..... \$108.75 Miss C. C. E. J. D. E. M. 50 L. T. Pose 1,00
B. S. A 16,00
M. J. T 1,00
H. S. W 1,00
H. D. S 10,00
H. D. J 5,00 Asked for, \$260. Still needed \$114.25. 6-A widowed and partly bland mother of five children is unable to work to support them. Ten dollars a

week, or \$550 a year, is needed to keep them together. Previously acknowledged ..... \$168.75 M. F. G..... W. L...... No name.....

M. Pose...... 8. W..... Asked for, \$520. Still needed.

\$301.75. Opportunity No. 7-Closed, \$92.73. 8-Four little girls, the oldest eleven, are sharing household tasks mending, washing dishes, sweeping -while tre mother is recovering from a serious operation. The drunken father deserted. Seven dollars a week,

or \$364 a year, is needed. Previously acknowledged. Mrs. E. C. P..... 

Asked for, \$364. Still needed, \$184.75. 9-A widow and seven children need \$8 a week or \$416 a year to preserve their home. The died after a long illness that exhausted the family savings. Previously acknowledged ..... \$74 25

hange.

Expectation that a large part of he film service will be transferred provide a happier Christmas for some District 

Acked for, \$416. Still needed,

M. C.....

\$341.05. Require \$624 For Year, 10-A widow and four children keep the mother's health and the .50 family together, until the oldest girl 31 S. H. B. 3.00 Mrs. B. B. .25 193.81

277.75 Assked for, \$624. Need, \$350.45, 11-A widow with two small children contracted tuberculosis from overwork. The oldest child has start-ed work. Until she can earn more \$10 a week or \$520 a year is needed. Previously acknowledged ..... \$133.25 UNITE FOR XMAS CELEBRATION Mrs. I. B. B. ..... 20.00 E. J. D. 2000 T.M. Pose Mr. and Mrs. C. P. L. (Times) . . 25.00

Asked for, \$520. Needed, \$355. Previously acknowledged .... \$105.25

Asked for, \$260.

3.—A deserted mother placed her Mrs. D. K. K. 

Asked for, \$520. Needed, \$316. 13-Parents, one blind and the other partially so, need \$10 a week or

1.00 B. W. C..... E. G. S. Mrs. C. L. C. W. W. T. W. W. T. .... 5.00 B. L. H. 5.00 Z. Y. X. 1.00 M. L. B. 

M. J. T..... Asked for, \$520. Needed, \$394.75. 14—A widow with four children needs 57 a week or \$384 a year in adneed \$12 a week, or \$624 a year, to dition to her earnings to keep the family together. Previously acknowledged ..... Four little boys and girls ..... L. A. M. ..... H. N. Ir. 

M. A. P. M. J. T. B. C. W. A. C. and A. M. M. Aasked for, \$364. Need, \$238. Undesignated, \$17.17. Twenty-nine ash coin cards, \$12.33. Total received, \$2,763.29.

# MELVIN C. HAZEN IS LUNCHEON HOST

Commissioners, Engineer Offi cials, and Employes Are His Guests.

Employes of the surveyor's office, the Commissioners and heads of the engineer department were gusts at the annual Christmas eve luncheon he annual Christmas eve given by Surveyor Melvin C. Hazen at the District building today. The toastmaster was Anton Karl.

The program consisted of addreses by the Commissioners and enginner officials and monologues and stories by John Gorman and Allie Fennell. An outing coat was was presented to Hazen by the office force.

Among the guests were Capt. R. G.
Powell and Capt. J. J. Loving, assistant engineer commissioners, C. B.
Hunt, engineer of highways, Conrad
H. Syme. J. W. Paxton, Morris Hacker, Willim P. Richards, Daniel C. Gar-.50 ges and Daniel J. Donovan. Miss Allee George, secretary to Commissioner Newman was hostess to the women workers of the District building at a reception in the board room yester-1s0,25 terday afternoon

#### K. OF C. XMAS PARTY

Washington Council Gives Its Annual Holiday Affair.

Washington Council, No. 224, of the Cnights of Columbus held it annual Christmas party in the Knights of Columbus Hall at 606 E street northwest, with a large number of mem-

bers present last night. The chief feature of the party was the coming of Santa Claus, who upon his arrival bountifully handed out

25.to presents to all. 1.00 Fother Thomas Williams, of St. An-2.00 thony's parish, Brookland gave the eternal Caristmas message.

St. Paul's choir sang the Christmas 3.00 St. Paul's choir sang the Christmas 12.00 anthems, "Holy Night," "Adeste Fide-

1.60 les." "Jerusalem," and other songs. 1.60 Afterward all surrounded the large 3.00 Christmas tree from which hundred 10.00 of gifts were distributed.

3.00 The committee in charge of the 1.00 party were B. S. Lavins, chairman; W. J. Howard, James F. Meegan, S. S. 174.95 Grogan, W. H. Gill, J. B. McKee, H. E. McCausland, C. P. L. Moran, George J. Brillmeyer, James A. Sullivan, Jos-eph P. Cullen, Frank P. Glancy, Frank D. Roach, Edward Cunningham, Dr. W. F. O'Donnell and Louis A. Paine.

#### THIEVES STEAL A ROOF

Young Man is Accused of Helping to Do Job. BALTIMORE. Dec. 23. - Three

thieves stripped the copper roof from the Dixie Moving Picture Theater, in broad daylight, while hundreds of persons passed on the street. Fer-dinand Beckett, twenty-one years old, has been arrested, charged with stealing the roof. He is said to have admitted taking part in the theft. The disappearance of the copper

came to light Thursday afternoon when patrons of the theater complained of a leaking roof. An inves-tigation showed that all the copper with which it had been covered was Workmen employed two doors away

recalled that a white man and two negroes arrived in a wagon the pre-vious day, explained that they were tinners and wanted to reach the roof \$10 dows in the other building.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 23.-Fifteen thousand people are expected to pack the city auditorium tomorrow night to celebrate Denver's first community Christmas. Extensive plans have been made for the affair and the entire city will play Santa Claus to Denver's kiddies. 165.00

The program will consist of Asked for, \$520. Needed, \$355. musical and literary entertainment 12—Widowed at Christmas time and the distribution of gifts to about two years ago, a mother of four small 10,000 children from an immense Christmas tree placed upon the stage of the auditorium.

BONUSES FOR MAT MAKERS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The John B. Stetson Company, hat many facturers, today announced it would give all employes an eight-hour working day, large sums in bonuses, and shares of common stock as Christma presents. Every one of the thousands of employes received the eight-hour day, and all others were given either of the latter two.

JUDGE TO ACT AS SANTA. CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- For children by quarreling parents, Judge Stelk, of the court of domestic relations, tomorrow will set up a big Christmas tree decorated with cranberries and popcorn and sacks of candy in his court room. The judge will play Santa Claus to all children whose parents

# **GEM THIEVES ELUDE** POLICE AFTER RACE

Daring Robbers Outdistance **Detectives in All-Night Auto**mobile Chase.

(Continued from First Page.) Washington pike and was making its vay to Baltimore by another route.

After warning Baltimore to look out or the fugitives the detectives made their way to Annapolis, thinking that probably the robbers had turned in that direction.

It was here that complete trace of the thieves was lost. They had not taken the Annapolis road evidently. but had turned and made their way toward the Pennsylvania State line, presumably bent on avoiding a course which lay through Baltimore and as many of the nearby towns as possible.

Gang Blamed, Instead of two, it is now certain that there were three and probably four men in the gang which committed the robbery.

One of the men was about twentytwo or twenty-three years old, weighed about 140 pounds, was of slight build and had a clean, thin smooth-

The robbers, in the opinion of the police, despite their extreme youth. are real desperadoes and evidently rofessionals. The detectives assigned to the case scout the theory advanced that the thieves were dope fiends be cause of their sallow, cadaverous ap

Pearance.
Another was about twenty-six or twenty-seven years of age, and weigh-ed about 150 pounds. He was also of slender build, thin face and clean shaven. Both of these men were brown overcoats and dark hats. No description of the third robber has been obtained.

Seek Hendquarters.

Knowing that the thieves spent everal days preceding the robbery in obtaining a knowledge of the habits of persons employed in the Burnstine store and the vicinity, the police today put forth every effort to locate the place which the robbers made their headquarters prior to the

All garages were furnished with description of the automobile in which the thieves made their escape, it being the belief of the detectives that the machine was evidently quartered in some garage for days preceding the robbery

Chief of Detectives Grant and Major Pullman spent the entire morning their desks directing the hunt for the robbers.

Numerous telephone messages from places in Maryland were received and shortly before noon officials connected with the Police Department expressed confidence that the fugitives would be ultimately run down.

MUST PAY ALIMONY.

Dr. G. R. Lee Cole, a practicing ph) sician of southwest Washington, is directed to pay his wife, Minnie 11. Cole, \$80 a month alimony pending the disposition of divorce proceedings instituted in the District Supreme Court. The order directing the pay-ment of the alimony by the husband was signed by Justice Stafford, in

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